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Wes Hall is at the top of his game. The newest “dragon” on CBC’s Dragons’ Den, Hall is the founder of Kingsdale Advisors, where he has earned the title as one of the most influential businesspeople in Canada.

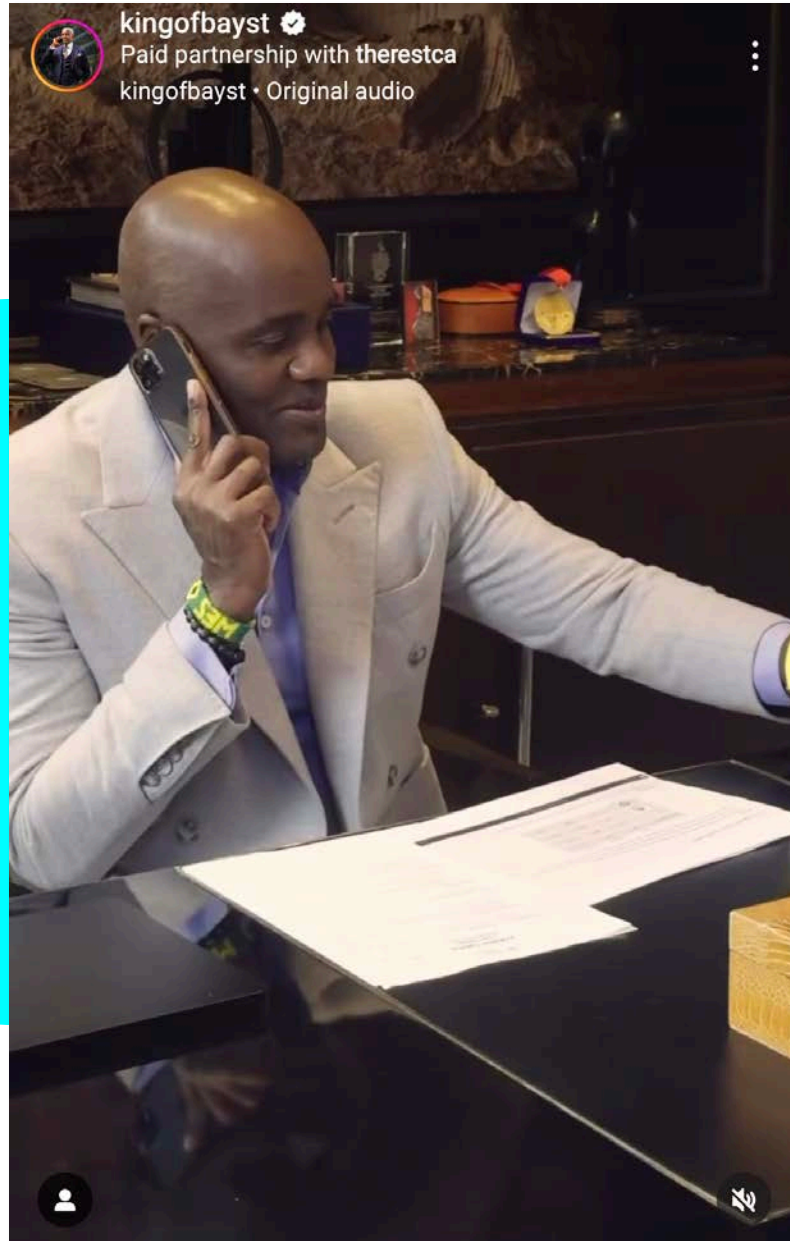
Ranked 16 on Maclean’s 2021 list of the “50 most powerful people in Canada”, he has orchestrated multi-billion-dollar deals for Canada’s corporate elite.

In June 2020, Hall founded the Black North Initiative (BNI) to challenge businesses to put an end to anti-black systemic barriers. He is also an instructor at the Rotman School of Management of the University of Toronto, where he teaches Black Entrepreneurship and Leadership in Canada, a first-of-its-kind course in North America.

From giant mergers and acquisitions to boldly fighting systemic racism, Hall makes big things happen. Recognized for his custom suits and fast cars, Hall is a dedicated husband and father of five, who lives in Toronto.

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An official selection at the 2016 Toronto Black Film Festival, *WES* explores Wes' journey from rural Jamaica to the top of Canada's corporate ladder.

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In two weeks a documentary — titled Wes — will premier at the Toronto Black Film Festival

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- Ranked #16 on *Maclean's* Power List of Canada's 50 Most Powerful People (2021)
- Lifetime Achievement Award, Ontario Chamber of Commerce Business Achievement Awards (2021)
- Social Impact Award, Toronto Black Film Festival (2021)
- Communicator of the Year, International Association of Business Communicators (2020)
- *Toronto Life's* 50 Most Influential Torontonians (2020)
- Entrepreneur of the Year, Ernst and Young (2009)

Newsmaker: Failure is not an option

Wes Hall, executive chairman of Toronto-based Kingsdale Advisors, is on a mission to eliminate anti-Black systemic racism

By: Greg Dalgetty | August 21, 2020 | 00:09



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A Q&A with BlackNorth Initiative founder and chairman Wes Hall

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The Torontonian—who grew up in a tin shack in Jamaica and went on to establish a top shareholder advisory firm—launched the BlackNorth Initiative to nudge social change starting in Canada's boardrooms

By Shannon Proudfoot
January 18, 2021



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More than 400 Canadian business leaders at companies valued at combined \$1.3 trillion have signed BlackNorth CEO pledge

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Wes is the founder and chairman of the Canadian Council of Business Leaders Against Anti-Black Systemic Racism and The BlackNorth Initiative, committed to the removal of anti-Black systemic barriers.



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